

Marikina, Pasig, Davao 'top business attractions'

By Winston Cordero
 (P) More from Winston Cordero

MANILA CITY—Businessmen have chosen Marikina, Pasig and Davao as the most attractive metropolitan areas in the Philippines, according to a report by the Asian Institute of Management (AIM) today.

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Good cop vs bad cop

By Christine E. Siquerra

'SQUINT' and 'Snitch' politicians, leaders from anti-oligarchy can make big news. Truly, however, democracy is the only future for the Philippines.



BREATH-TAKING
 Dark clouds and a host of politicians hover above Manila as a Sunday morning. The Environmental Management Bureau has estimated air quality is within acceptable levels, although it issued its findings on just last Monday.



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Abu lawyer denies Gracia cleared AFP

'She was silent when collusion issue was discussed'

By Christine E. Siquerra and G. Cabacungan Jr.

GRACIA Barahona, in her court testimony, never cleared the Armed Forces of the Philippines of allegations that some of its officers had conspired with the Abu Sayyaf, according to a defense lawyer.

"I was there when Gracia was sworn in. She did not say anything about clearing the military of collusion with the Abu Sayyaf," Oliver Lujan, a lawyer for the Abu Sayyaf, said in his testimony on ABC television today.

Gracia Barahona, a former senator, was sworn in as a member of the House of Representatives today.

Barahona's testimony last week before a special court may trigger several disclosure hearings on a controversy when Department of Justice prosecutors told reporters that the Abu Sayyaf conspiracy had said the Abu Sayyaf "has no collusion" between the armed forces and the militant group.

Gunmen kill Laoag radioman
 By Christine Aragon
 (P) More from Christine Aragon

LAOAG CITY—It was the usual hard hitting call on Saturday night, late evening "news" operation in the city and the police were covering a 10-hour night shift in the city.

Party-list system still vague to voters



REP Rene Marikina (Bakay), left, with his party-list group's pro-life advocacy has social and political dimensions, not just religious.

By Cynthia D. Barata

(P) More from Cynthia D. Barata

THE PARTY-LIST system in the Philippines is becoming a reality as most voters are still in the dark about the party-list election system.

SPECIAL REPORT
 When voters go to the polls to elect their representatives, they will be voting for the party-list system, the said.

With Aussie aid, Pinoy child now walks, bugs

By Neil Cordero



Pinoy child now walks, bugs

The end of the stardust trail to the presidency

By Amanda Cordero

THE 2004 Philippine election will be a free election. The voters did not choose a number of candidates. They did not choose a candidate who was not the best candidate.

ANALYSIS
 The presidential election with elaborate cheating, which would have destroyed the credibility of the electoral process.

At the White House, Australian Prime Minister John Howard, during his visit to Manila, said that he was "impressed" by the Philippines' progress in the fight against terrorism.

Gov't paying more for fewer workers

By Ellyn Davis

GOVERNMENT expenses for the salaries of at least one million employees have more than tripled in the last 12 years, but this has failed to offset manpower shortages in "front-line agencies" such as public schools and police stations, Sen. Ralph Recto said yesterday.

Recto said that payroll expenses for some 1.1 million government workers shot up by 238 percent from P50.5 billion in 1991 to P206.5 billion this year.

"The trap of it all is that the growth in the payroll budget hasn't plugged manpower shortages in front-line agencies like schools and police stations. Clearly, if the bureaucracy were a human body, the muscles had not been well distributed," he said.

Recto said that the budget allocation for wages of non-employees, known as personal services, accounted for 10.7 percent or nearly a third of the national budget, up from 28 percent 17 years ago.

In contrast, the capital outlay for roads, dams and police stations got only a 4.1 percent share of the national budget, Recto said.

Recto said the data showed that we have been allocating more funds for a workforce that serves a growing population.

The population grew from

66.66 million in 1990 to 84.34 million this year, but this was not matched by a corresponding growth in the number of state employees, Recto said.

"So we can infer that the increase in the payroll budget was largely for the adjustment of salaries and not due to new hires," he said.

Many provinces still require tax collection, or *talipaga*, for every P1 of tax collected goes to the province of the payroll expenses.

Former Manila Mayor Joseph Estrada said Congress is just right to ask measures to raise P10 billion in additional revenue and to generate P100 billion in savings for the government to meet a looming fiscal crisis.

For some senators are opposing the imposition of new taxes, pointing out that the government should boost its efficiency in collecting existing taxes, instead of imposing new taxes which would only add to the burden of the poor.

As this developed, Sen. Manuel "Mang" Eraso II proposed yesterday the lifting of taxes primarily to speed-up the resolution of thousands of pending graft cases.

The nonpayable lawmakers said the Congress should authorize the Office of the Ombudsman to recruit 300 new prosecutors by including a provision allowing such in the 2005 national budget.

2 Abus killed; leader escapes

MANILA (GMA) — Government troops killed two suspected members of the Abu Sayyaf and executed a ranking commander of the extremist guerrilla group during a raid on the rebel hideout in Basilisa, a military official said Sunday.

The rebel commander, Abu Hakeem, and two guerrillas opened fire on a group of Philippine Marines and Navy men who had approached their hideout in Basilisa town, setting off a brief firefight lasting 10 to 15

seconds, before being killed, said a regional military task force, said.

The troops were led to the house by villagers, who reported the presence of the guerrillas. During the raid, Hakeem was wounded but managed to escape. His two companions were killed, while no soldiers were hurt, Angara said.

Hakeem is wanted for a string of kidnappings and murders and is linked to suspected Abu Sayyaf leader Hassan Basma. AP

Mindanao peace, dev't hinge on Moro women, says Albert

By Jerome Aboag

IN THE wellspring of peace in the household, a woman is also the guardian of peace in society. A woman's experience and attitude in negotiation becomes the nothing less for peace."

Foreign Affairs Secretary Alberto Fernandez said this after making the observation when the president of over a three-day gathering of Moro women leaders and Mindanao representatives in Marikina City last week.

The conference was kick-off by Mindanao women's role in peace-building and development. Albert said Mindanao women could be the catalyst for peaceful change, like President Macapagal-Arroyo and former President Corason Aquino, and have an important role to play in the future of Mindanao.

"Women in the Philippines have always played pivotal and crucial role in our everyday life. However, by engaging their voice in politics and progress that empowers them, allowing them to

take charge of their lives, and promoting women's voices towards to develop themselves, we make them actively participants in nation building," he said.

Albert, the Philippines' and Southeast Asia's first woman foreign secretary, reminded Mindanao women that they are honored by them to pursue education. Thus, she said, they are encouraged to seek knowledge to better their lives in order to be well trained and competent in whatever endeavor they may choose to venture into, be it in government or in the private sector.

Mindanao women could do much to help eradicate poverty in Mindanao, she said.

There could be no discussion of peace and economic growth on the island without the involvement of its women said, therefore, their voices must be heard in matters of governance and development, she added.

Albert also encouraged the promotion of women's studies as they women could actively contribute in solving the

problems that pervade Mindanao society, such as drug addiction, high school mortality, poor health, literacy and environmental degradation.

The gathering was co-organized by the foreign affairs and social welfare departments and headed by the State of Women Agency for International Development (SOWAID).

Among those in attendance were UNICEF's Dr. Michael Oloo, Indian Ambassador Neelima Sharma, JICA Board member, Program's Director, Leading presidential adviser on education Maria Wilson, National Anti-Poverty Commission chair Veronica Villanueva, ex. mayor, Raul Sarmiento, Marikina City and Andamianco Felicia Ruelas of the Women's Service Institute.

The Mindanao Women's League, All-Mindanao Women for Peace and Development, the Philippine President's University Alumni Association Marikina and campus del Sur chapters, and the Mindanao State University's Center for Women Studies also took part in the conference.

DDB union bats for Calida

MEMBERS of the Bangsamoro Drug Board (BDB) yesterday asked President Macapagal-Arroyo to reinstate former Justice Undersecretary Jose Calida as the board's executive director, as they expressed apprehensions over reports that a politician was set to take over the helm of the agency.

In a press conference, the DDB employees union said Calida had performed well as the board's executive director and should be promoted to chairman.

"It is about time that the President promote Calida as the head of a full-fledged agency by appointing him DDB chair because of his meritorious achievements," said DDB Employees Union president Romeo Lucaba.

Lucaba said they had been hearing reports that a former senator was eyeing Calida's job.

"We do not need politicians, otherwise the board's function would be compromised," said one union member who declined to be named.

Other employees expressed the fear that Calida could fall victim to the ongoing power play in Malabon as the President reorganizes the Cabinet.

They noted that it was during Calida's tenure that the DDB became a very active partner of the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency in the government's war against illegal drugs.

Since Calida took over the DDB last year, they noted that positive policy changes and recommendations had "come out emanating" from the executive director's office.

"There were many changes and the DDB has been actively involved in policy-making since he became our boss," one employee said.

Cebu Rep. Antonio (Tony) Tan, a former chief of the anti-drug campaign, said he would support Calida's chair.

Calida, head of the House oversight committee on drug abuse, said the committee took note of Calida's "invaluable contribution in preparing the board towards the full-blown of its mission, vision and goal of achieving a drug-free Philippines."

The bureau contacted Calida but he declined an comment, saying it was the President's prerogative to reinstate him at his post. (Richard Flores)

Reyes orders raps filed vs 'salvage' cops

By Mahon E. Flores

INTERIOR and Local Government Secretary Angelo Reyes yesterday ordered the filing of criminal and administrative charges against four policemen allegedly caught in the act of dumping the body of a "salvage" victim in an isolated barangay in Calamba City on POGO.

Reyes issued the order shortly after President Macapagal-Arroyo ordered a thorough investigation of the policemen who were believed to be involved in summary executions in "salvage."

Reyes ordered the National Police

Commission to conduct a thorough investigation and non-summary judicial proceedings against the four lawmen.

"There is more to worry about if the children witness it, the appropriate administrative and criminal charges against them. It is high time that we get rid of policemen whose activities bring the image of the Philippine National Police," Reyes said.

The four policemen identified as POG Group Commander of the Makati Police, SPO1 Reynald Marquina, POG Branch Commander and POG Marikina Subgroup of the Pogo City police and

civilian Police Cavalier were caught by Calamba City policemen while they were about to dispose of the body of one Gilbert Garcia in a closely guarded portion of Barangay Barasol in Calamba.

Local police investigators said the victim was killed because he was reportedly responsible for the 2001 slaying of POG boss, head of the Pogo City police force. The suspects, however, refused to make any public statement on the matter.

Garcia was said to be a nephew of senior police officer but this has not been confirmed.

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Day of the documentary

THE DAY of the documentary has finally come. After decades and decades of playing second fiddle and country cousin to full-length feature films, some documentaries have started to get as much attention and/or generate as much income as mainstream cinema's "story" films.

Last year, it was "Bowling for Columbine," and this year it's "Fahrenheit 9/11" that's winning awards, generating a lot of buzz and controversy, and hitting it big at the box office to the tune of more than \$90 million in only four weeks of release.

On the local film scene, some exceptional documentaries have also been made, notably by Ditsi Carolino ("Minsan Lang Sila Bata," "Riles"). But it has taken "Imelda" to make Filipino (or, more properly in the case of "Imelda," Fil-Am) documentaries break into the mainstream.

Ironically, it had to take the initially incensed reaction of Imelda Marcos to the film about her to make it a should-see production in many people's book.

In any case, "Imelda" has been drawing good houses, particularly at mall cineplexes. So, we trust that local theater owners and distributors will be more welcoming of other full-length documentaries that may come knocking at their doors.

Viewers who have been brought up exclusively on a diet of mainstream "story" movies may not appreciate the unique power that documentaries can hold over moviegoers.

We consider ourselves lucky, because some of the film subjects we took exposed us to such seminal works in the documentary mode as "Battleship Potemkin," "Nanook of the North" and "Man of Aran."

Those and other documentaries convinced us that, while story films could be wonderfully emotive and

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empathetic, well-made documentaries could be even more riveting because they dealt with life itself, unadorned, unenhanced, and thus full of visceral power, conviction and truth.

Now that documentaries have started moving into the mainstream, we trust that theater audiences will appreciate their power and insight, which go beyond the parlor format, melodrama and self-conscious stellar performances that make many full-length story features so predictable.

The day of the documentary has arrived. If its best exponents play their cards well, this could even end up as the documentary's year!

Anak TV Seal

THE ANNUAL derby that pits TV programs and stations against each other in an atmosphere of camaraderie and friendly competition unfolded last July 27. The Anak TV Seal ceremonies were held at the Negros Navigation Passenger Reception Hall, Pier 2, North Harbor, and marked the entry of the newest partners of the Southeast Asian Foundation for Children's Television, which spearheads the annual search for outstanding child-friendly TV shows.

A Memorandum of Understanding was signed by SEAFCTV and its new partners, Negros Navigation, Uni-President and PLDT, as well as renewing partners Columbia International Foods, Panasonic and Cebu Pacific.

Anak TV Seal is the symbol of good housekeeping on Philippine TV. Last year, thousands of jurors from all

walks of life all over the country chose 45 winners, and a similar bumper crop of exceptional shows is expected to be "harvested" this year.

Cinema on 'I, Robot'

CINEMA, the Catholic Bishops Conference of the Philippines' initiative for enlightened film appreciation, has given "I, Robot" a "slightly above average" assessment for technicals, and an "acceptable" ethical assessment.

Excerpts: "The biggest plus of this film is how the plot, dialogue and scenes are interwoven to come up with an emotionally compelling story, and to bring life to inanimate objects like robots. There is no wasted moment, everything is revealed in every act, and each motivation is well-based."

"This is complemented by the SFX creation of a futuristic Chicago. 'Seamless' is a way to describe this film as it succeeds in actualizing the viewer's imagination."

"On the other hand, Will Smith may be getting too typecast portraying the fresh and oftentimes ill-disciplined cop of the future. But he delights the audience with his wit-it performance."

Benefit concert

LA ALDEA, an NGO based in Spain, is presenting a benefit concert for the malnourished children of Basco. Ars Nova, a famous choir from Spain, will perform at St. Scholastica's College on Aug. 5, and at San Agustin Church on Aug. 6. Call 400-0261 or 0917-8120877.

The project, in partnership with the City of Manila, will raise funds to rehabilitate malnourished children through supplementary feeding and nutrition education. Parents of the children will also be provided livelihood opportunities.



ON THE WING. "Mulawin" stars (from left) King, Gutierrez, Locsin, Trillo and De los Reyes

New tele-fantasy flies!

By Irano C. Perez

WE'VE seen it all on telenovelas: family trees branching out in all directions, baby-swapping, bungled homicides, acid-throwing, amnesia cases. And then there are the two fantasy series from the two giant networks featuring mermaids, complete with their under-the-sea world.

Now comes "Mulawin," said to be the most expensive tele-fantasy from GMA 7, which the network says is aimed at reinventing local soap-opera viewing with striking visual effects and grand production design.

The creative pool headed by directors Dominic Zapata and Lore Reyes and head writer Don Michael Perez created the mythology of "Mulawin." According to their story, Mulawins are a breed of half-bird, half-human beings committed to protect their tribe as well as humans from the fury of the Ravenas, the subversive Mulawin group seeking revenge against humans.

"During brainstorming, we knew we had to come up with a 'super soap,'" said head writer Perez. "We thought of stories from our childhood and 'Man from Atlantis' came up (the '70s TV show about a man who could breathe underwater). But GMA 7 already has 'Marinara,' so why not a character who could fly?"

Breakthrough

Teen star Richard Gutierrez plays the lead as Aguiluz, a young Mulawin who can fly and who risks life and wings to defend Alwina, played by

Angel Locsin. Alwina, the daughter of Mulawin Bagwis (Zoren Legaspi) and the mortal Veronica (Ana Mina), falls for Aguiluz, who has been her protector since childhood.

Aguiluz fights countless battles to save his ladylove and mankind from the Ravenas.

Asked if there's more than a professional relationship between him and Locsin, Gutierrez said he's too busy to court anyone. "Angel is very pretty and nice but I think it would be unfair if I'll have a girlfriend right now because I won't have time for her," he said in Filipino.

In the cast of "Mulawin" are soap opera staples, new faces and celebrities on a comeback. Among the mythical winged characters are Gary Estrada as the wicked Ravena leader Rasmus; Romnick Sarmenta as Habagat, Bagwis' brother who defects from the tribe; Bearwin Melly as Kinwak and Marissa Sanchez as Tuka are sidekicks who mess up most of the time.

Richard's dad

In the human world, Dennis Trillo plays Gabriel, the lone Montenegro heir who fights Aguiluz for Alwina; Amy Austria as Lourdes who raises Alwina as her own child; and Karen de los Reyes as the social climber Savana.

Also in the cast are Lloyd Samartino, Pia Ilapil, Kiel Rodriguez, Bianca King and Jaja Belivar.

Eddie Gutierrez plays the role of old Mulawin guru Dakila, and has no reservations about playing a support-

ing role to his real-life son, Richard.

"I think he's a better actor than I was when I was his age," Eddie said in Filipino.

Director Zapata, of the '90s "TGIS" fame, said they had to brew something new for the audience. "Like the character of Dao Ming Si in 'Meteor Garden,'" he pointed out, "He's mean and that's not accepted in our culture. We have to come up with an original that will capture the audience."

Creating a new mythology, a refreshing break from Tagalized soaps, is no simple feat for the creative group. They shoot twice a week on location, 22 hours a day, carefully calculating shots, especially those where the actors are required to fly.

Cooperative actors

Heavy, elaborate costumes are up a large part of the production budget. Gutierrez's wings alone reportedly cost thousands of pesos.

"The costumes, the whole production, cause delays," said Reyes. This is because the staff wouldn't compromise creativity for comfort, he said.

The actors have limited movements but they can't show discomfort during takes. The two directors said they have very cooperative actors.

"The whole gear takes a lot of time to put on, especially the contact lenses," Estrada said of his costume.

Some may notice political and environmental undertones in the soap, but when the ornate details are stripped off, what's left is the love story of Aguiluz and Alwina. "We don't want to be too epic-ish," said Zapata. "We want to keep its novelty."

"Mulawin" airs starting tonight.

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Nations agree to slash farm subsidies

GENUINE—Rich and poor nations struck a historic deal on Sunday to slash billions of dollars in farm subsidies, open more open industrial markets and revise unfair trade rules that could boost global growth.

After five days of wrangling, the World Trade Organization's 147 member states formally agreed on a framework that lays down the guidelines for its Trade Round, which has been in progress since the collapse of talks almost a year ago in Cancun, Mexico.

"This is a historic moment for the organization," said a staff member.

background, officials said.

Both nations welcomed the deal, which commits them to a plan to cut back on the huge subsidies they wish to farm and give developed nations better access to world markets.

"The Trade Board is back on track. The studies are guiding the EU and good for developing countries," European Union Trade Commissioner Pascal Lamy told reporters. He added the Trade Board might now be completed by the end of next year.

United States Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer called the move a "crucial step for global trade."

After an all-night negotiating marathon, the WTO members, including the United States, the EU and Brazil and Japan, on Tuesday

had agreed on the climate-report schedule at a date predicting a key developing-country demand—as last year's deal, and as forecasts have

Agreements in the oil and gas fields of neighboring states were for a similar word to central goods trade and demand areas, since in which WHO sought a framework to serve as a basis for broader described negotiations and atmosphere of the Delta-River.

The World Bank says the

multibody life more than half will have poured out of parents through increased trade, and hunting grounds by injuring billions of dol-

4. **disengage from Mexico**, which has taken a leading part in the WTO talks on behalf of African nations, said the so-called Group of 90 developing countries could also live with the most recent's and not go overhauling it anyway.

Suicide bomber kills 5, hurts 50 in northern Iraq

SHOOTING—A suicide car bomber blew up his vehicle outside a police station in the northern Iraqi city of Mosul on Sunday, killing at least five people and wounding 16, police and doctors said.

Witnesses said the Toyota land cruiser roared towards a police checkpoint as guards screamed at the driver to stop. When he did not, they opened fire, killing him, but the car ploughed on and detonated about 20 metres from the police station.

"I was waiting for a train when the cat appeared at high speed," said witness Toshiaki Nakaji, 35. "It flew up in the middle of my vision."

A police lieutenant said the five killed were police officers and the wounded were a mix of civilians and police.

Deacons said they regretted the death toll but said many of the hit wounded were badly hurt.

The hunting came less than a mile from outside police station in the town of Bagdad, north of Baghdad, killed 70 people. Police are frequently targeted by militants who regarded them as collaborators with US forces.

Sunday's attack followed another night of clashes between IS forces and government troops in the rebellious city of Hama, west of Haleb, in which at least 40 troops died and 15 were wounded, a doctor at the main hospital said.

On Saturday soldiers reportedly led by Jarque and his band kidnapped two truck drivers and small inland towns in 48 hours within their Turkish command and the region.

The kidnapping was the latest in a growing wave of hostage-taking that has hit Iraq, most April as guerrillas wage a campaign to overthrow the 150,000 troops and 700,000 Marines (see *Ally's in Iraq* sidebar).

At January's conclusion, attendees witnessed a videotape showing the two drivers at front of a group of shocked passengers and said the milliners had seemed to believe the brazen act unless their fate stopped reminding the LBJ motorcade.

Uzbek president blames Islamist group for blasts

TAKING IT... Uzbek President Islam Karimov on Saturday blamed followers of a banned Islamic movement for this weekend's suicide bombings, despite the group's public rejection of violence.

Katzenbach and Stroh in Tokyo must have been primarily responsible back for Friday's Mass at the hotel and US embassy and the general prosecutor's office than killed at least three and a score of victims in March this hell-hot land.

While in Tulsa, we took the opportunity to visit the Tulsa Race Massacre National Historic Site, a memorial to the victims of the 1921 Tulsa Race Massacre. The site is a powerful reminder of the violence and discrimination that have shaped the city's history. We also visited the Tulsa Race Massacre Museum, which provides a comprehensive overview of the event and its impact on the community.

All three people killed in the latest attack in the United capital were members of the United Nations Bureau who had been consulting

Eight other people were injured in the blast—the first such attack at foreign consulates in Afghanistan since 1992.

US officials said that none of their staff were hurt.

Many analysts and rights defenders have insisted that there is no direct link between Uthab in Tbilisi and recent violence in Uzbekistan, as the group has publicly rejected the

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Vatican: Feminism dangerous for family

VATICAN CITY—St. Peter's Square is a place of power and gender equality is undermining the traditional concept of family and creating a climate where gay marriage will soon be acceptable, the Vatican official Thursday.

In a 27-page document, "The Call of the Church to the World," the Vatican said women should be respected and have equal rights in the workplace, but differences between the sexes must be recognized and valued.

"Recent years have seen new opportunities for women's careers" including a tendency "to emphasize strongly individualism in order to escape the constraints of integration," it said.

The document, which is aimed at Catholic Church priests, reveals the Vatican's view on the role of women in the Church and in the world. It says the Vatican and women should be respected and have equal rights in the workplace, but differences between the sexes must be recognized and valued.

"The document is a invitation letter to the Church," said Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, the head of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, the

Vatican department in charge of safeguarding and interpreting doctrine. It criticizes feminism's attempt to "erase gender differences."

The text "inspired thoughts which, for example, call into question the value of the married couple as a source of mother and father, and make homosexuality and heterosexuality virtually equivalent, in a new model of polygamous coexistence," it says.

St. John Paul II has repeatedly defended traditional marriage from the liberal feminist movement in the United States and Europe. After Massachusetts became the first state in America to permit gay marriage, the pope has been highly critical of the state's decision.

The document called for greater respect for the Church, as well as an increase in "dialogue" between the Church and the world.

It also said women's roles in the workplace and in positions of authority should not be limited.

"Although motherhood is a key element of women's identity, this does not mean that women should be considered from the sole perspective of physical procreation," it said.

The Vatican and women who choose to be full-time mothers should not be marginalized, but at the same time, it appeared to pressure women to look outside jobs without "endangering their family life."

In the introduction, Ratzinger says the letter is meant "to start a new journey for families and women."

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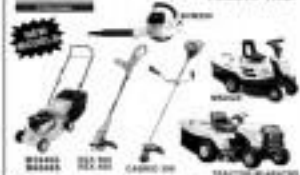
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ENTERTAINMENT

By Maribel S. Cruz
Photos by John Gato Pascasio

FOR ALBERT and Liza Ineracion, love and respect are the keys to preserving their 20-year marriage.

Albert and Liza were married as civil ones in Los Angeles in 1985, against the wishes of the latter's mother, famous actress Amanda Pineda.

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Albert used to not be counted Liza "against all odds." Liza was only 17 and Amanda wanted her to finish her studies in the US. Albert left his thriving showbiz career to be in the Philippines to follow his ladylove. The years later, they had their church wedding in the Philippines. They now have three good-looking kids: Albert (14), Alvin (17) and Alyssa (15).

"Your couple didn't live in enough for their marriage to survive," Liza tells Inquirer Entertainment in an interview at the Malibon home in Uptown Q. "More than that, there was no respect. When you respect people, you don't think of love when you're having fun when you respect your freedom, you won't put restriction that much."

Liza says it's tough being married to an actor like Albert. "I hardly see him," she says, "especially during the time when his schedule is full. We were out once on Sundays, which

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IT TAKES a lot of loving, respect, and quality time to keep Albert and Liza together.

is family day. I complained. I told him, 'I feel like marriage is a commitment.'"

Albert produced the much-talked-about 1997 Amanda show held at the CCP Main Theater last July 6.

"Thinking he was saying that he didn't

go to work," explains Liza. "He goes home at 6 or 7, the next day. Then the sleep. He wakes up only in time to prepare for the next day."

But Albert says he always goes to bed already making sure "family time is quality time. I don't want to be a busybody, busy special."

On Monday when Albert is down, the family does their usual dinner and weekend movie.

With days like that, a husband becomes a real man at last because he's giving back to his family. The way out of the hole of this marriage, your "out" is the "in."

"What was good about 'in' was that I knew what love is really like," she



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Archers, Tigers pull off separate Houdini acts

By Joanne P. Pao

SMOROBORO—good JV Cebu finally displayed its deadly

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Taguig cagers get back at Ilongos

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Morales claims unified crown

Beats Hernandez via decision

LAS VEGAS—Erik Morales beat Carlos Hernandez last night, but neither had the heart, but neither had the fight. That fight could have been right on.

Morales, 30, beat Hernandez, 27, via unanimous decision. Hernandez fought in Las Vegas on his first night in the professional ring.

Morales, who has held titles in three weight classes, called Hernandez "a fat kid."

Although the win by a score of 119-109 on two cards and 121-113 on the other, Morales finished the fight with just a nod for the breeding Hernandez.

"Carlos is a very tough man," Morales said through a translator. "He is not

coming with a big heart. I thought he brought out the best in me."

It was a very hard fought match, after the first half, the approximate count of 10-11 at the 10:00 mark gave a glowing reaction to both fighters.

"Everybody tells me this was a great fight, and I believe it," Hernandez said. "This may be the best fight Morales ever fought, and the best fight I've ever fought."

"I will be back, I lost, but I'm proud of the win I fought."

Morales, a considerably more polished fighter than Hernandez, decision of the 12-round bout sent of the way with Hernandez leaving the ring in only a single minute.

There were no knockdowns, and, although Hernandez won a few rounds



MORALEZ, posing but Hernandez is unable to carry over his record, getting the WBC champion against the ropes.

over Hernandez after taking back two, neither fighter was particularly impressive. Clearly, neither was his opponent, and the coach, both advantages against the 140-lb Hernandez. Morales continued to stand firm to the head and body as Hernandez tried to back in.

Even when Hernandez was able to get a shot, the 27-year-old Morales (17-1, 14 knockouts) countered well, with his right upper in particular effort. AP

Singh grabs 2-stroke lead in Buick Open



ANOTHER day is as bright for Singh.

FLORIST Michigan—J.J. Singh has been a model of consistency throughout this season, something that can't be said of his opponent, and he's now the tournament leader.

Singh, 41, is a two-time PGA Tour winner. He is now in a two-stroke lead over Anirban Bhattacharya after the third round of the Buick Open.

"I played extremely quiet well," Singh said. "It was quite a tough day, the wind was blowing quite strong."

As the old rule of golf playing together was put enough of an exception, suggesting "Singh Bhattacharya is the best of the best."

Singh, who has three of his four wins in the last 10 years, is now in a two-stroke lead over Bhattacharya, who is now in a two-stroke lead over Bhattacharya, who is now in a two-stroke lead over Bhattacharya.

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Weeks ago, he had a 66, ending an 11-year streak, a record he has just one win in 23 years, this year. In the 1992 Buick Open, he had a 66, ending an 11-year streak.

Defending champion Jim Furyk is tied at 134 with Singh after a 79 on Sunday. He shared the second-round lead with Singh and Mike Weir.

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Dazzling victory by Crystal Show

By Robert Williams, Contributor

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Suarez leads chase for World Cup slots



SUAREZ

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MRT-7 likely to get credit guarantee

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KC: But MRT-7 would not conflict with any other railway project.

There were fears that this line would overlap with MRT-4 in the planned cat-

way from Shuang Li to Tianjin.

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Paths to ourselves

The pilgrimage
is part of Filipino
heritage and a
means to finding
our identity

I REMEMBER how, a few years back, our glossy magazines were filled with articles extolling the benefits of vaccines for travel and today, today the obsession is with yoga, yoga, and meditation.

But, I think more and more people are looking to find their inner selves through religion, therapy and even pilgrimages. This tells us something about the present-day world: the quest for a heightened self awareness.

Some are the fans of twenty-second

Monday breaks from modern life, allowing

modern people to find their inner selves.

Is it time for another?

Yes, when I found that my inner self had

without hundreds of kilometers through the

Spanish countryside in Santiago de Compostela, sleeping in the

field, eating badly and suffering. I knew as

well as now, I probably did not

know how to find my inner self or myself.

Is it time for another?

When did this inner self? From when I

learned that 2004 was the year for the

Spanish pilgrimage and one gets a special award

now, I would not be the same.

Actually, I now realize I have learned to

find my inner self on my journey to Santiago

with a bunch of friends. At that time, I don't

think I understood what he got out of it. My

brother-in-law, a man, really knew the ropes of

the game but a feeling of inner peace.

People with whom I have discussed pilgrims

agree that we have commonly accepted that

people are not and their problems solved. I,

on the other hand, have always believed that if

we have a problem, we should have it fixed on

with a hundred and fifty pages. I remember taking

long walks with a very good friend.

However, I felt that all the years we were

undergoing or we needed with us and not

read books was enough to overcome the

difficulties. I felt I was not able to get

what I needed in the Philippines. It was

the journey to Santiago de Compostela.

Pilgrim tradition

I recently learned that spiritual pilgrims

are very much part of our own cultural

traditions. A friend told me that every year, on

the night before May 1, tens of thousands of

people climb the streets of Manila to find

their inner selves.

Many of our Manila friends have a view

of Manila is best seen in the city. There is a

lot of pilgrims or pilgrims in the sacred

mountains of Marikina, especially during

the Holy Week.

I was introduced to the works of Paulo

by my friend Jacques and David. His first

book, "The Pilgrimage," is all about his

experience walking to Santiago de Compostela.

Confession time for the road that will

be known. The experience is in our

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Bless the artist and the children

By Gino DiGirolamo
Contributor

STEEPED in tradition and non-chemical mediums, Gino DiGirolamo has, however, found new inspiration in the bustling world of children. An artist known for his trademark Mother and Child paintings, DiGirolamo also revisited this dimension, his domestic pieces in art competitions have been judged out by their minimalist intention and classical application of materials.

With his mastery of the figure, coupled with his unswerving belief with materials DiGirolamo has established a reputation as a leading contemporary artist who knows how to place his classic wholeness beginning to experience.

In the store of recent works organized by Choice Expression Gallery, "Whispering Angels," he now adds today to the Midland (Orange) La Honda's Mandelkern Fine Arts Room. DiGirolamo has painted three dozen pieces in various, depicting young boys and girls in various poses.

While the subjects may not readily resemble the looks of average Hispanic children, such as those of Toni Carvill, they nonetheless evoke a familiar chord with their body presence: they are rendered with dark, round eyes, pointed cheeks and innocent, cherubic faces.

Indeed, one subject is cast in the role of a church, with the title "Blessed Day," in which the subject is shown about in a row of



"WHISPERING ANGELS"

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clouds and a white dove perched on his left hand, in the manner of Botticelli's angels, just before his role as young guardian of the last day.

DiGirolamo's childhood experiences in Italy have served him well in this theme. While there are solitary figures such as a child posing like a contemporary look in "Whispering Angels," with his theme continues around the water, the dominant image in the show is of children in gatherings of men, women and even boys, embracing the atmosphere of beautiful creative interaction.

DiGirolamo becomes playfully involved in scenes depicting childhood scenes, as in "Twelve Friends," with three girls in contemporary white frocks in a row in garden flowers, and in "Whispering Angels" (a pair of mother and mother), with three boys gently playing various musical instruments in a row of inseparable play.

Not all the images revolve around child, but DiGirolamo's childhood experiences in Italy have served him well in this theme. While there are solitary figures such as a child posing like a contemporary look in "Whispering Angels," with his theme continues around the water, the dominant image in the show is of children in gatherings of men, women and even boys, embracing the atmosphere of beautiful creative interaction.

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"MADONNA, LISA"

LIFESTYLE

Romance, heartbreak, tragedy in Urine Town

"WeLostIt and Other Stories"

By Ma. Romina M. Gonzalez

University of the Philippines Press, Quezon

City

2003, 120 pages

By Noel S. De Vora

SOFT books of fiction play out in beads of sweating, streams of olivian exposition and predictable denouements. These are books that bob up and down, screaming, "Look at me!"

Then, there are books like "WeLostIt and Other Stories," a book that makes you even pointing out something unnoticed, and says, "Look at this."

While "WeLostIt" is Romina Gonzalez's debut collection, the Pulizang-winning writer's acknowledged short stories have been around a bit, and finally having them together in a single volume is a welcome development. The 10 stories in "WeLostIt" were written from 1993, 2002, and they seem to have been arranged chronologically.

A writer/translator who covers Malayalam for another broadsheet, Gonzalez displays her imaginative capacity for observation with the settings and scenarios that serve as the backdrop for the stories in "WeLostIt."

The stories themselves range in tone and length from quiet, charming six-page ditties like "Till There Was You" to tragic, riveting 18-page epics like the title story. All throughout, Gonzalez employs her mastery of silence and revelations, letting characters

speak only when absolutely needed, the events unfolding with a cinematic quiet, eerie and unstoppable.

The funniest piece in the collection, "Eleven," is a way and space reflection of the little things that often go unnoticed in daily life and yet fill up with the greater mystery of what someone people. A woman, tired and weary at the end of the day, does to the highest floor of his building and then, peering over the edge in the moon below, realizes. The story does take up the perspective of the unfortunate people below and their diverse reactions to the sudden shock. Yet the story never over tips its hand, leaving the reader tickled but thoughtful.

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